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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), of Application Serial No. 09/523,367, filed on March 10, 2000, by Hiroaki KUBO, entitled DIGITAL CAMERA WITH LIGHT ADJUSTING CONTROL OF FLASH.

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A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1,660.00 (\$790.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and \$870.00 (the difference between the one month extension fee previously filed on September 28, 2004, and the three month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3)), to be charged to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260 is enclosed herewith in duplicate. However, if the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form is missing, insufficient, or otherwise inadequate, or if a fee, other than the issue fee, is required during the pendency of this application, please charge such fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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